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The SPECTATOR.

——Tanquam hæc ſint noſtri medicina furoris,
Aut Deus ille malis hominum mitеſcere diſcat. Virg.

Tueſday, November 27. 1711.

…ſhall in this Paper, diſcharge my ſelf of the …miſe I have made to the Publick, by …them with a Tranſlation of the lit… *Greek* Manuſcript, which is ſaid to have …ace of thoſe Records that were preſerved …Temple of *Apollo*, upon the Promontory of …It is a ſhort Hiſtory of the Lovers Leap, …ſcribed, *An Account of Perſons Male and …who offered up their Vows in the Temple of …Apollo, in the Forty ſixth Olympiad, …from the Promontory of* Leucate *into the …ea, in order to cure themſelves of the Paſſion …*

…Account it very dry in many Parts, as only …ing the Name of the Lover who leaped, …m he leaped for, and relating in ſhort, that …either cured, or killed, or maimed, by the …indeed gives the Names of ſo many who …, that it would have looked like a Bill …ity, had I tranſlated it at full length; I …fore made an Abridgment of it, and on… …ed ſuch particular Paſſages as have ſome… …ordinary, either in the Caſe, or in the …in the Fate of the Perſon who is ment… …it. After this ſhort Preface, take the Ac… …as follows.

…, the Son of *Menalcas* the *Sicilian*, leaped …*ſes* the Muſician: Got rid of his Paſſion …the Loſs of his Right Leg and Arm, which …ken in the Fall.

…in Love with *Daphnis*, very much bruiſed, …caped with Life.

…, the Wife of *Eſchines*, being in Love with …and *Eſchines* her Husband being in Love …*lla*; (which had made this Married Couple …ſy to one another for ſeveral Years) both …Husband and the Wife took the Leap by con… …they both of them eſcaped, and have lived …pily together ever ſince.

…, a Virgin of *Theſſaly*, deſerted by *Plexip…* …a Courtſhip of Three Years; She ſtood up… …Brow of the Promontory for ſome time, …having thrown down a Ring, a Bracelet, …little Picture, with other Preſents which ſhe …ived from *Plexippus*, ſhe threw her ſelf in… …Sea, and was taken up alive.

…*B. Lariſſa*, before ſhe leaped, made an Offering …*ver Cupid* in the Temple of *Apollo*.

…*ha*, in Love with *Daphnis* the *Myndian*, …in the Fall.

…*xus*, the Brother of *Sappho*, in Love with …the Courtezan, having ſpent his whole E… …on her, was adviſed by his Siſter to Leap in …beginning of his Amour, but would not hearken …till he was reduced to his laſt Talent; being forſaken by *Rhodope*, at length reſolved to take the Leap. Periſhed in it.

Aridæus, a beautiful Youth of *Epirus*, in Love with *Praxinoe*, the Wife of *Theſpis*, eſcaped without Damage, having only that two of his fore Teeth were ſtruck out, and his Noſe a little flatted.

Cleora, a Widow of *Epheſus*, being inconſolable for the Death of her Husband, was reſolved to take this Leap, in order to get rid of her Paſſion for his Memory; but being arrived at the Promontory, ſhe there met with *Dimnachus* the *Miletian*, and after a ſhort Converſation with him, laid aſide the Thoughts of her Leap, and Married him in the Temple of *Apollo*.

N. B. Her Widow's Weeds are ſtill to be ſeen hanging up in the Weſtern Corner of the Temple.

Olphis, the Fiſherman, having received a Box on the Ear from *Theſtylis* the Day before, and being determined to have no more to do with her, leaped, and eſcaped with Life.

Atalanta, an old Maid, whoſe Cruelty had ſeveral Years before driven two or three deſpairing Lovers to this Leap; being now in the Fifty fifth Year of her Age, and in Love with an Officer of *Sparta*. Broke her Neck in the Fall.

Hipparchus being paſſionately Fond of his own Wife, who was Enamour'd of *Bathyllus*, leaped and died of his Fall; upon which his Wife married her Gallant.

Tettyx, the Dancing-Maſter, in Love with *Olympia*, an *Athenian* Matron, threw himſelf from the Rock with great Agility, but was crippled in the Fall.

Diagoras, the Uſurer, in Love with his Cook-Maid; He peeped ſeveral times over the Precipice, but his Heart miſgiving him, he went back, and Married her that Evening.

Cnædus, after having entred his own Name in the *Pythian* Records, being asked the Name of the Perſon whom he leaped for, and being aſhamed to diſcover it, he was ſet aſide, and not ſuffered to Leap.

Eunica, a Maid of *Paphos*, aged Nineteen, in Love with *Eurybates*. Hurt in the Fall, but recovered.

N. B. This was her ſecond time of Leaping.

Heſperus, a young Man of *Tarentum*, in Love with his Maſter's Daughter. Drowned, the Boats not coming in ſoon enough to his Relief.

Sappho, the *Lesbian*, in Love with *Phaon*, arrived at the Temple of *Apollo*, habited like a Bride in Garments as white as Snow. She wore a Garland of Mirtle on her Head, and carried in her Hand the little Muſical Inſtrument of her own Invention. After having Sung an Hymn to *Apollo*, ſhe hung up her Garland on one ſide of his Altar, and her Harp on the other. She then tucked up her Veſtments like a *Spartan* Virgin, and amidſt thouſands of Spe-

&tators,

ſtators, who were Anxious for her Safety, and offered up Vows for her Deliverance, ſhe marched directly forwards to the utmoſt Summit of the Promontory, where after having repeated a Stanza of her own Verſes, which we could not hear, ſhe threw her ſelf off the Rock with ſuch an Intrepidity, as was never before obſerved in any who had attempted that dangerous Leap. Many, who were preſent related, that they ſaw her fall into the Sea, from whence ſhe never roſe again; though there were others who affirmed, that ſhe never came to the bottom of her Leap; but that ſhe was changed into a Swan as ſhe fell, and that they ſaw her hovering in the Air under that Shape. But whether or no the whiteneſs and fluttering of her Garments might not deceive thoſe who looked upon her, or whether ſhe might not really be Metamorphoſed into that Muſical and Melancholy Bird, is ſtill a doubt among the *Lesbians*.

Alcæus, the famous *Lyrick* Poet, who had for ſome time been paſſionately in Love with *Sappho*, arrived at the Promontory of *Leucate* that very Evening, in order to take the Leap upon her Account, but hearing that *Sappho* had been there before him, and that her Body could be no where found, he very generouſly lamented her Fall, and is ſaid to have written his Hundred and twenty fifth Ode upon that Occaſion.

Leaped in this Olympiad	350.
Males	124
Females	126
Cured	150
Males	81
Females	69

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